Gentlemen 23028 Jan. 13, 1891 J. 31. 46

We have received your favor of the
10th ~~of this~~ Instant requesting that we would
Inform you what has been done by the Judges
of the Superior Court in this Province, on the Requisition
made for Writs of Assistance,

We are sorry ~~we are obliged~~ to Inform you
that after a hearing upon the matter our Superior
Court have granted ~~the Writs of the Petitioners for~~
~~Writs of Assistance~~ such writs as are usually granted here
with the Limitations, we are unacquainted with
the Reasons & Grounds for such a Determination
but in order to afford
you all the light we can upon this occasion
we have transmitted you a Copy of some Minutes
that were taken at the Hearing of the Arguments
of Mr Thacher & Mr Otis upon this
Interesting Subject. The Minutes were hastily taken
& the Person who made them was not present the whole
of the time that Mr Thacher & Mr Otis were
& that you have not the whole of what was

at that time
was advanced ~~upon this occasion~~ & no doubt your
Council upon a thorough Examin of this matter will
be able to furnish all weighty arguments & more authentic
against the granting of this unreasonable petition &
writ

with great chearfulness
we shall at all times contribute all in our
power to serve the general cause & to promote & strengthen
the Union among the Colonies so Essentially necessary
at this time for the recovery of our rights

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we are with great Truth & Regard
Gentlemen Your most Obed. humble Servts

J. Cushing
John Hancock
Wm Phillips
Wm Heath

To Benj.a Payne Esq.r and others a Committee of
correspondence in the Colony of Connecticut

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